

COPS Fact Sheet

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Redeployment Definitions and Acronyms

Actual Level of Redeployment – The estimated amount of Full-Time Equivalent officers that the grantee will realize because of the time saved by the technology or civilian personnel funded with a COPS MORE grant. This estimate is provided in the MORE application prior to implementation.

AFIS – Automated Fingerprint Identification System – A system designed to significantly speed and increase the accuracy of the fingerprinting process.

Allowable Costs – Allowable costs are items eligible to be funded under the COPS MORE program. MORE grants fund equipment, technology, and/or salaries and fringe benefits for support staff (including civilian personnel). Upon review of a submitted budget, any non-allowable costs are removed, and the total budget amount is revised accordingly. **NOTE:** The MORE 2000 program supports civilian personnel only.

CAD – Computer-Aided Dispatch – Computer database that performs functions including (but not limited to) tracking calls for service, maintaining status on units available, and providing various reports, address histories, and electronic mail.

CDPD – Cellular Digital Packet Data – A wireless communications protocol that many law enforcement agencies use for mobile computer communications.

FTE – Full-Time Equivalent Officers – The COPS standard of one FTE is 228 eight-hour shifts, or 1,824 hours per year.

Geocoding – Assigning locational values (for example: latitude and longitude coordinates) to attribute data, such as an event or an address, that allows a feature to be mapped.

GIS – Geographic Information System – A set of computer tools and procedures used to collect, manage, analyze, and display information associated with a specific location; a computerized mapping and database management application.

Matching Funds – Under the COPS MORE program, the COPS Office provides funding for up to 75 percent of the cost of equipment, technology, or salaries and fringe benefits of support staff (including civilian personnel) for one year. MORE grantees are responsible for a cash match of at least 25 percent of the total project cost. Waivers of the local match must be applied for along with the original application. They are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and will only be awarded in cases of severe fiscal distress.

MCT – Mobile Computer Terminal – A fully-functional computer terminal (such as a laptop) either permanently mounted or removable and containing its own central processing unit (CPU). An MCT generally has the capability to analyze and store information locally, along with the traditional functionality of a mobile data terminal.

MDC – Mobile Data Computer – Usually a laptop computer which sometimes includes data transmission capability for receiving calls and writing reports.

MDT – Mobile Data Terminal – A computer terminal mounted in a vehicle that is linked via radio to a stationary computer usually associated with a CAD system. Allows retrieval of information from linked databases and the exchange of electronic mail

MORE – Making Officer Redeployment Effective – The COPS MORE program provides law enforcement agencies with funding to purchase technology and equipment and to procure support resources (including civilian personnel). Grants cover up to 75 percent of the total cost of technology, equipment and/or civilian salaries for one year. MORE is designed to expand the time available to current law enforcement professionals for community policing activites through time savings.

MORE Retention – Support personnel and the redeployment resulting from equipment, technology, and/or support personnel must be monitored and tracked. These records must be maintained for at least one full locally set budget cycle following the completion of the 12-month period of fully operational redeployment the grant requires. The COPS Office may monitor a grantee's ability to retain at any given time during this period.

OJP EIN Number/Vendor Number – This is a nine-digit federal tax identification number assigned to an agency by the IRS. Most agencies' accounting or bookkeeping departments can provide this number. If an agency's EIN has been assigned to another agency within its jurisdiction, COPS will assign it a new vendor number. Use the newly assigned number only for the administration of your COPS grant, and never for IRS purposes.

Operational – A project is considered operational once the system is is fully functional or all civilians are hired and officers are realizing the maximum time savings as a direct result of the additional technology or personnel.

ORI Number – Originating Agency Identifier – This number is assigned by the FBI and is your agency's identifier. The first two letters are your state abbreviation, the next three numbers are your county's code, and the final two numbers identify your jurisdiction within your county. If you do not currently have an ORI number, the COPS Office will assign one to your agency for the purpose of tracking your grant. When you contact the COPS Office with a question, you can use the ORI number, and we will be able to assist you.

Realized Redeployment – Actual redeployment calculated after implementation of the grant.

Redeployment – Redeployment occurs when sworn officers, currently employed by the grantee law enforcement agency, become available to participate in additional community policing activities as a direct result of the purchase of technology, equipment, and/or the hiring of support staff (including civilian personnel).

Redeployment Tracking – The process by which COPS MORE grantees measure the time saved as a direct result of the funded technology, equipment, and/or support personnel. The tracking process must also ensure that sworn officers are redeployed into community policing as a result of the realized time savings.

Redeployment Tracking Plan – A written document that describes how a COPS MORE grantee administers redeployment tracking. The plan must describe how time is being saved as a result of the funded technology, equipment, and/or support personnel, disclose the methodology for measuring the time savings, and describe how the time savings for sworn officers enhances community policing activities. Redeployment tracking must continue to occur for at least one full locally-set budget cycle after the technology, equipment and/or support personnel have been fully implemented.

Required Level of Redeployment – The number of FTE officers that the grantee must meet or exceed during the course of the grant. This number is determined at the time of application and is tied to the amount of federal funds requested.

RMS – Records Management System – A centralized relational data system that includes multiple data files that can be queried in tandem. An integrated records management system may include (but is not limited to) CAD data, incident data, and arrest information.

Supplanting – Supplanting is replacing state or local funds that otherwise would have been spent on law enforcement with federal COPS funds. COPS grantees are prohibited from supplanting throughout the period of their grants. Grantees may not use COPS funds to pay for any equipment, technology, and/or support personnel that would have been funded with state or local funds regardless of the COPS program. COPS funds may only be used to supplement a grantee's law enforcement budget. For further information please call 800.421.6770.

Support Resources – Non-sworn personnel funded under this grant should allow for the redeployment of current sworn officers into community policing.

Time Savings – The amount of time saved as a direct result of the equipment, technology, and/or support personnel funded by a MORE grant.

Waiver – In order to maximize the number of communities that can take advantage of COPS grants, only a very small portion of waiver requests are granted. Waiver requests can only be considered when a jurisdiction makes the request at the time of application. Applicants that provide satisfactory documentation of severe fiscal distress may be granted waivers. Except in extreme situations, requests for waivers after an award to an agency has been made will not be considered. If you have questions about the waiver process, please contact a Grant Program Specialist at 800.421.6770.

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